

BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, May 22, 2013

The Building and Standards Commission convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at City Hall, in the Boards and Commission Room, 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

Madam Chair, Ethelynn Beebe called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Ethelynn Beebe, Chair; David Brown, Vice-Chair; Tim Hill, Stacy Kaplowitz, Steven Alloway and Charles Cloutman

Staff in Attendance:

Chris Moore, Scribe; Sonja Prevo, BSC Coordinator; Carl Smart, Director; Dan Cardenas, Assistant Director; Steve Ramirez, Division Manager; Ron Potts, Division Manager; Todd Wilcox, Assistant Division Manager; Matthew Noriega, Code Compliance Inspector; Luther Perez, Code Compliance Inspector; Melissa Martinez, Media Relations Division Manager; Joe Limon, AFD - Fire Battalion Chief; Greg Guernsey, Director of Planning & Development Review and Patricia Link, Assistant City Attorney.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

a. Dale Glover – 6110 Larch Terrace – He wanted to bring this case to the Commission's attention for assistance in making it safe.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. The minutes for the regular hearing of March 27, 2013 and April 24, 2013 were approved on Commission Member Hill's motion, Commission Member Brown second on a 6-0-0 vote.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Director Smart presented the Code Compliance Department FY 2013-2014 budget.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. 2012**-0**69447

1701 Toomey Road

Shambala Corporation

1701 Toomey Road is a Commercial Building. Travis Central Appraisal District shows that Shambala Corporation is the title owner. This case was represented by Eduardo Longoria, Nancy Scott and John Schwarzchild. A Building and Standards Commission order concerning the property was issued on or about September 26, 2012. The City of Austin Code Compliance Department found that this property remains in violation of the International Property Maintenance Code adopted by reference in Sections 25-12-211 through 25-12-213 of the Austin City Code. The Commission considered the property representatives request to modify the Order issued at the September hearing, but took no action to do so.

A motion was made by Commission Member Tim Hill to place the decision regarding potential

modification of the existing order in abeyance for 30 days or until the next scheduled hearing, requesting the property representatives to return with a specific plan of action for achieving compliance, Commission Member David Brown second motion on a 6-0-0 vote.

b. 2004-019561

2108 Peach Tree Street

Moore-Tate Projects and Design, LLC.

2108 Peach Tree Street is residential property. Travis Central Appraisal District shows that Moore-Tate Projects and Design, LLC is the title owner. An agreed Building and Standards Commission order concerning the property was issued on or about June 22, 2005. The residential structure was demolished pursuant to a demolition permit that was finaled on April 19, 2013. The violations identified in the June 22, 2005 order were remedied through the demolition.

A motion was made by Commission Member Charles Cloutman to set the penalties related to the June 22, 2005 order at \$0.00 based on testimony that raised concerns about a lack of capacity of the prior owner at or near the time of the prior order, Commission Member Tim Hill second motion on a 6-0-0 vote.

Madam Chair Ethelynn Beebe adjourned the commission hearing at 9:19 p.m. without objection.